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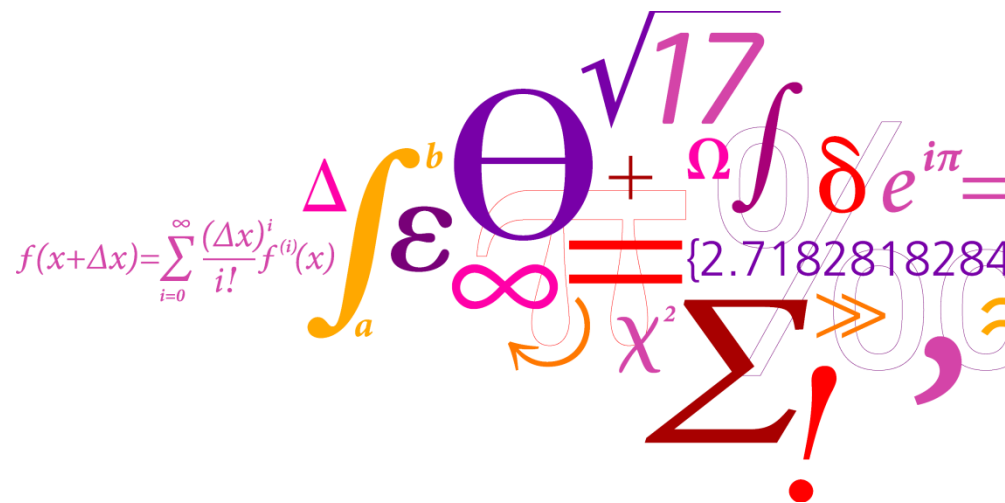
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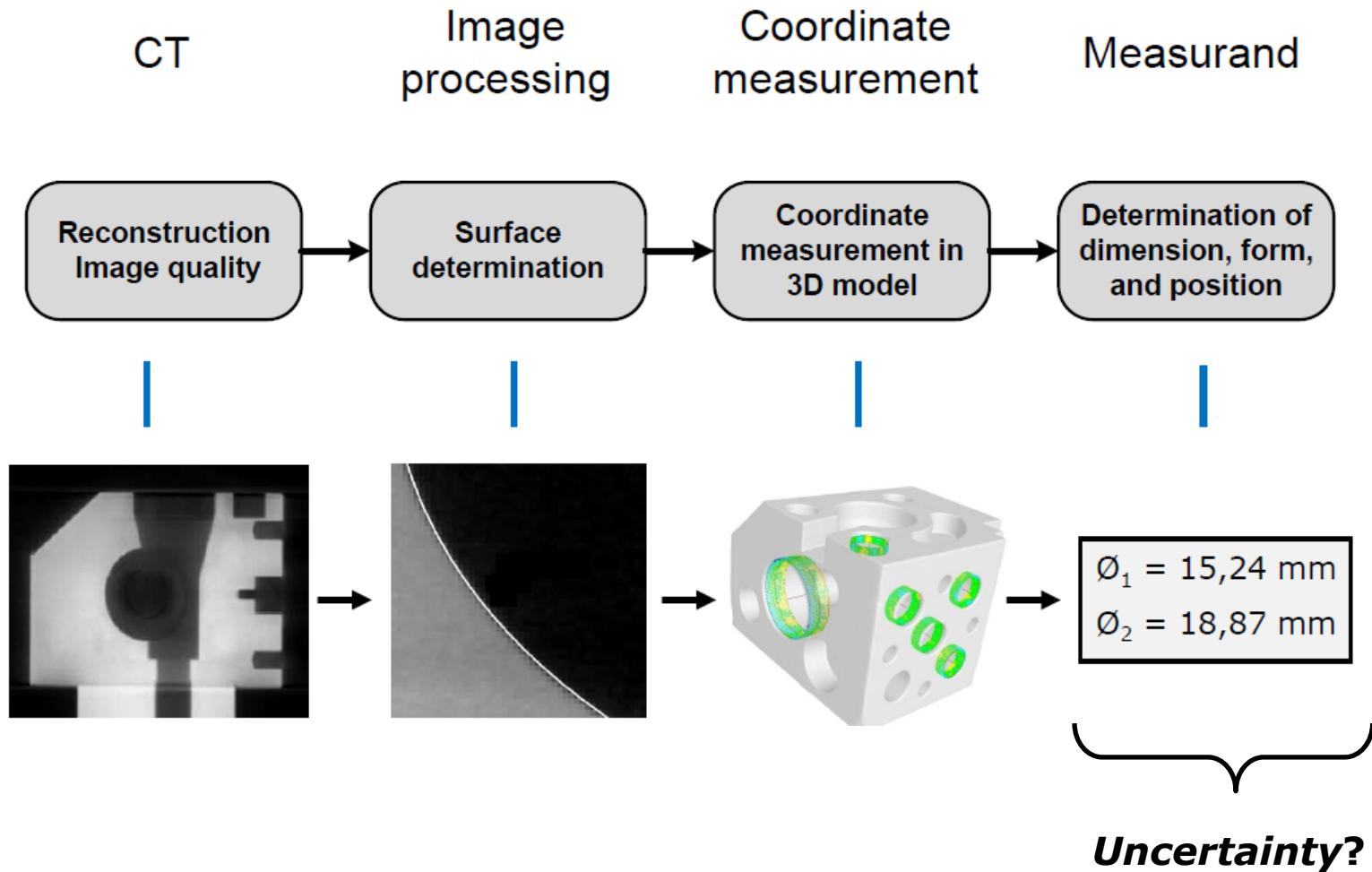
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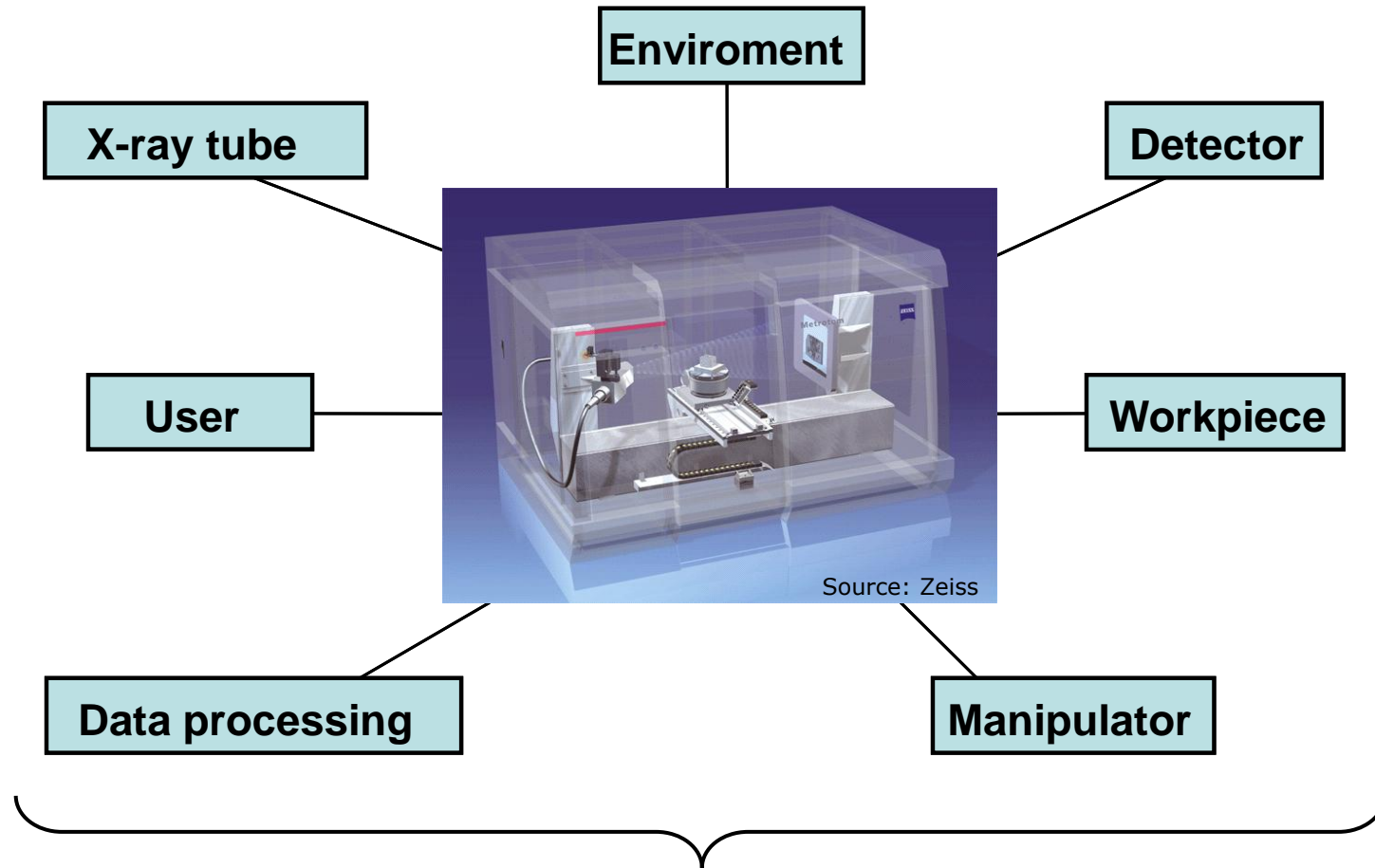
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Motivation and problem definition

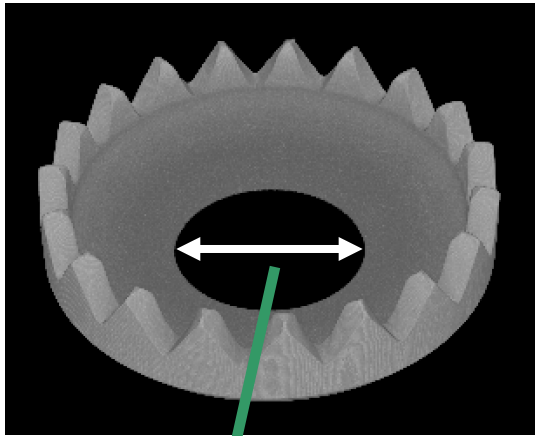


Motivation and problem definition



Influences lead to systematic and random measurement errors

Motivation and problem definition



Ø: 2,424 mm ± ???

■ Analytical calculation

- almost not possible in CT

■ Experimental method

- calibrated workpiece available?
- Destruction of the workpiece?
- repeated measurements (time-factor)

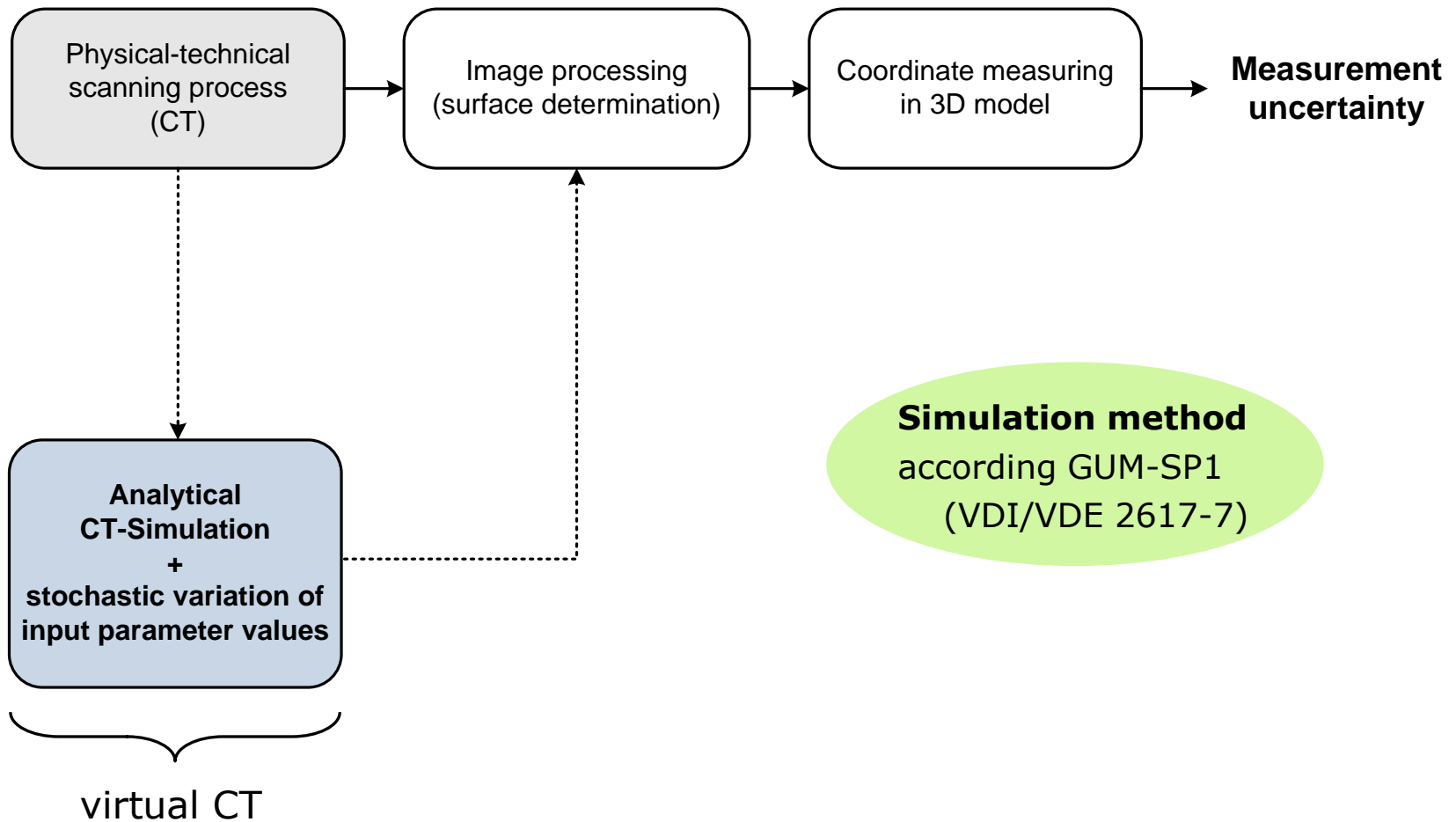
■ Simulation method

- "virtual experiments" using computers
- numerical evaluation of measurement uncertainty
- Basis: Monte Carlo method (MCM)

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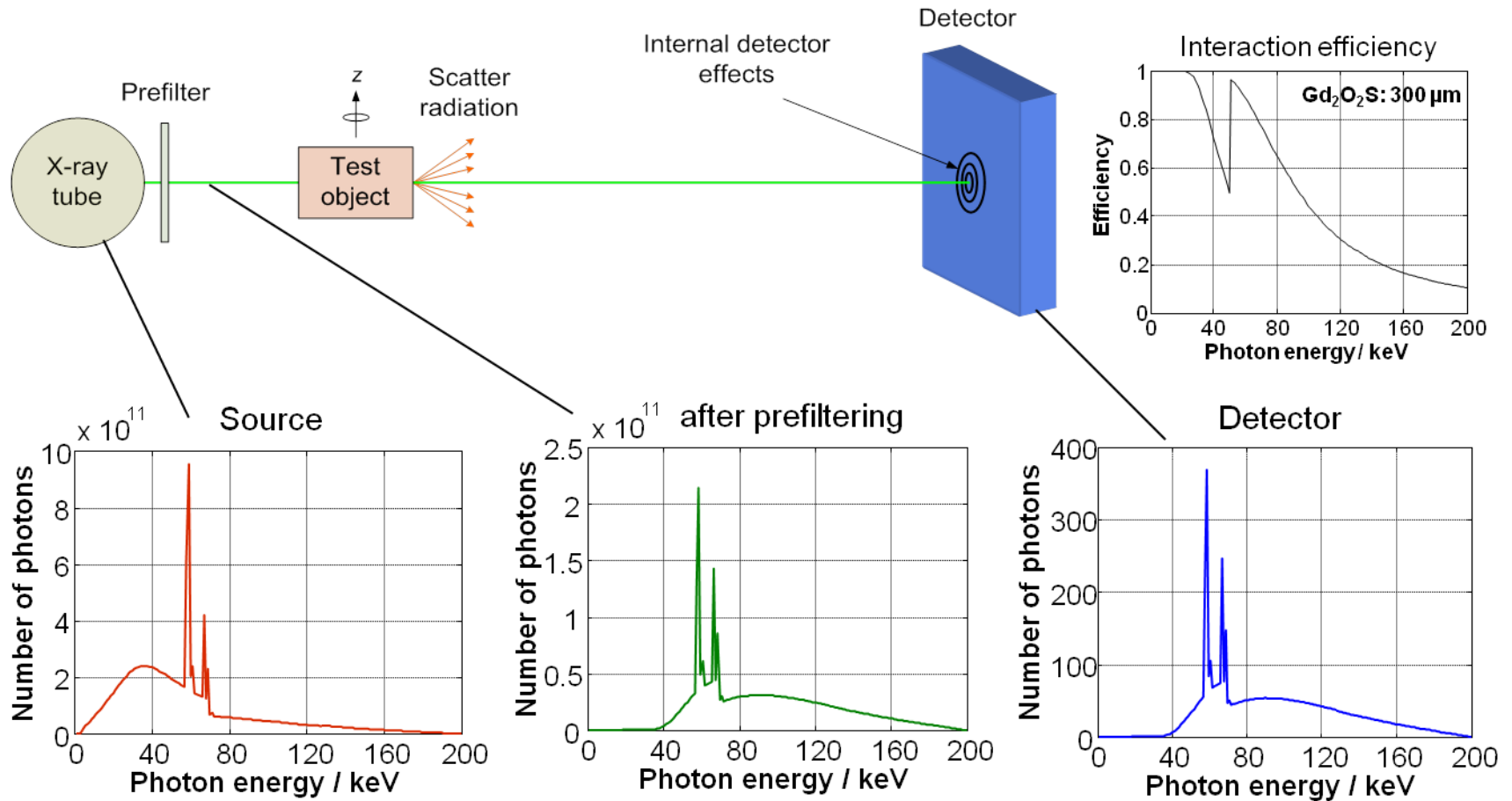
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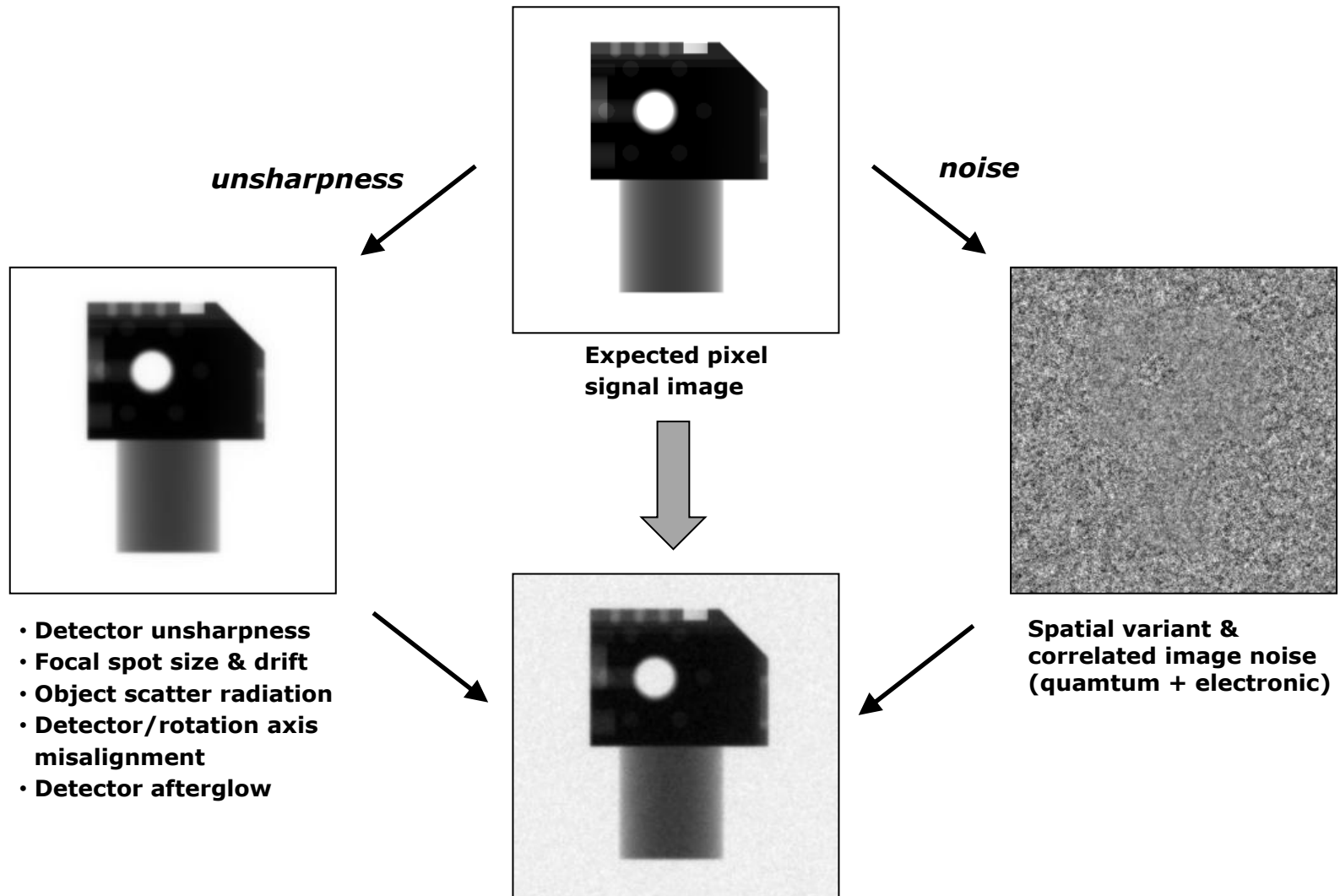
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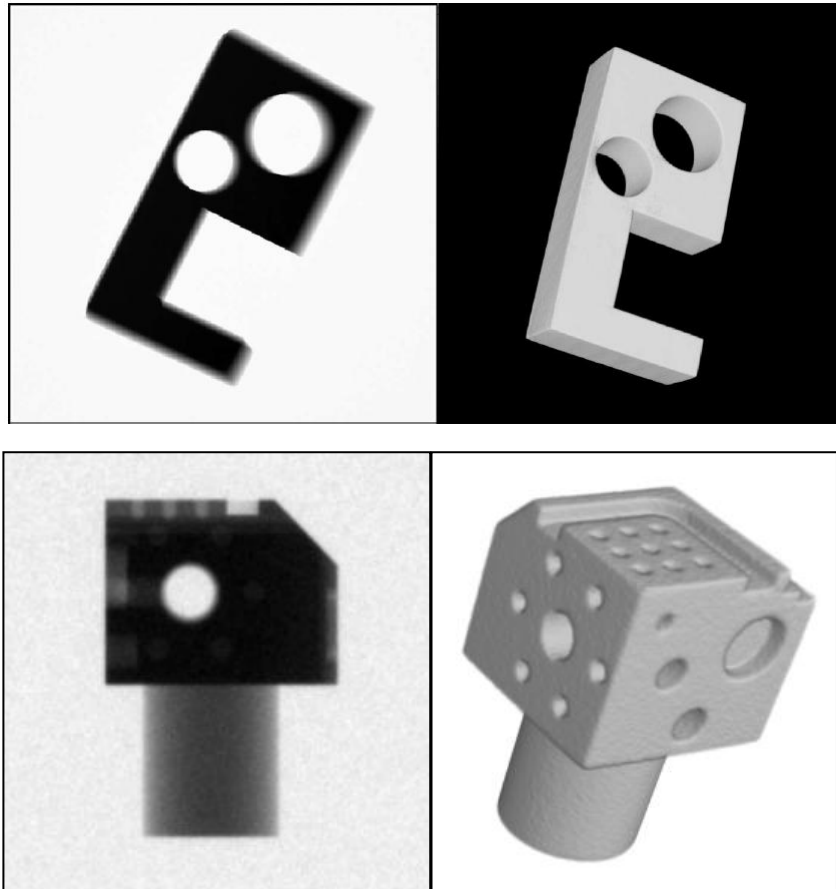
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Projection

CT model

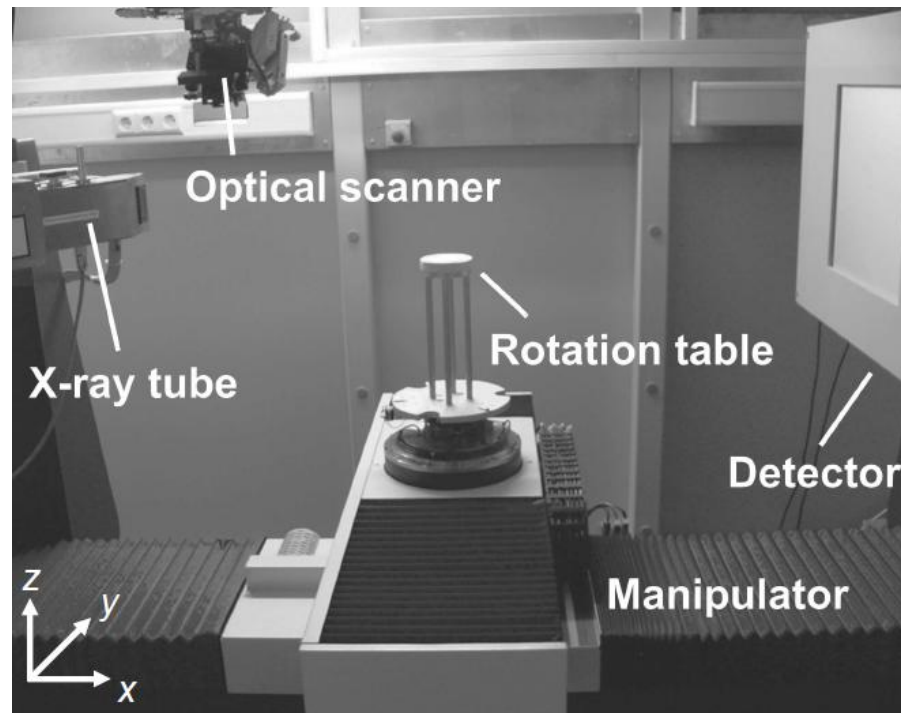
■ Consideration of

- Image unsharpness
- Image noise
- Image artefacts (beam-hardening, scatter radiation)
- System misalignment including temporal focus drift
- Environment influences (temperature)
- *Random variability of input quantities*

virtual CT

Modelling and analytical simulation

Tomolibri® Micro-CT system



■ Relevant information

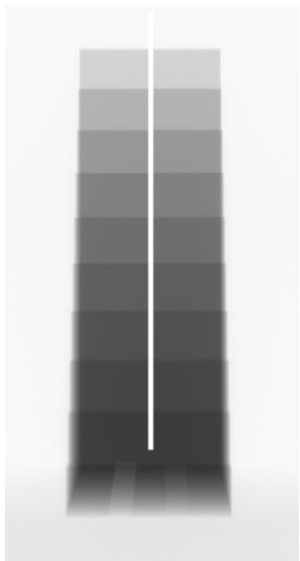
- Focal spot size
- Focus drift
(in 3 dimensions if possible)
- Detector contrast & noise transmission
- System misalignment parameters

**By characterization
measurements**

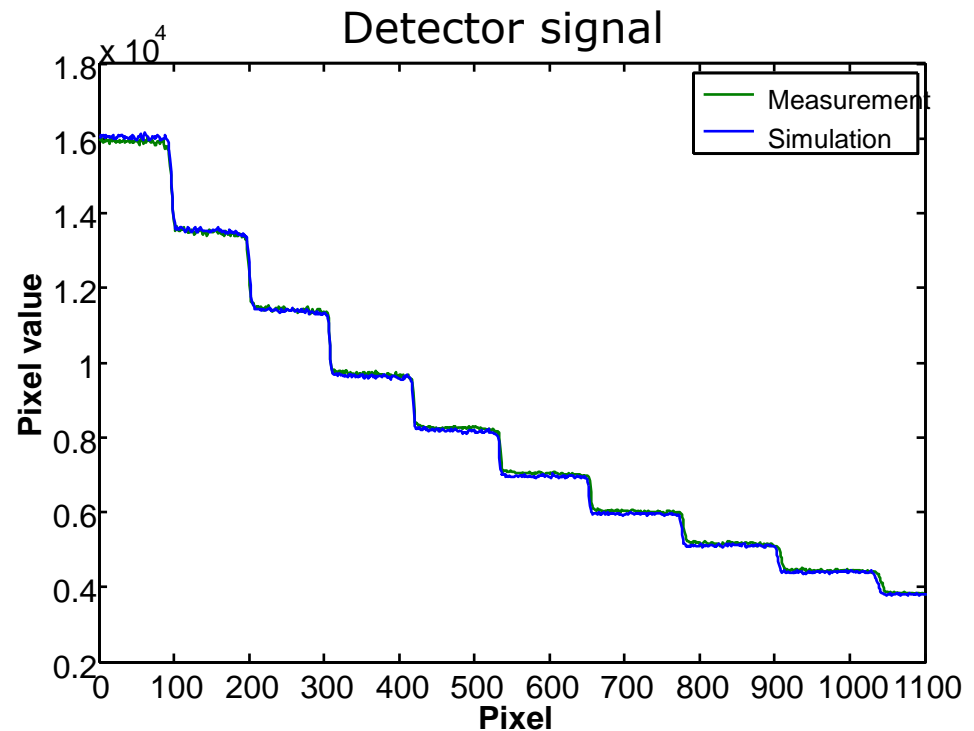
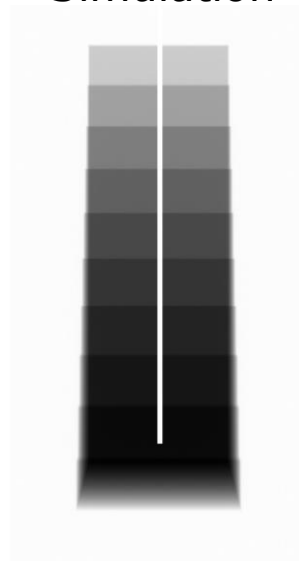
Modelling and analytical simulation

First validation of synthetic projection images using simple test objects like step-wedges

Measurement



Simulation



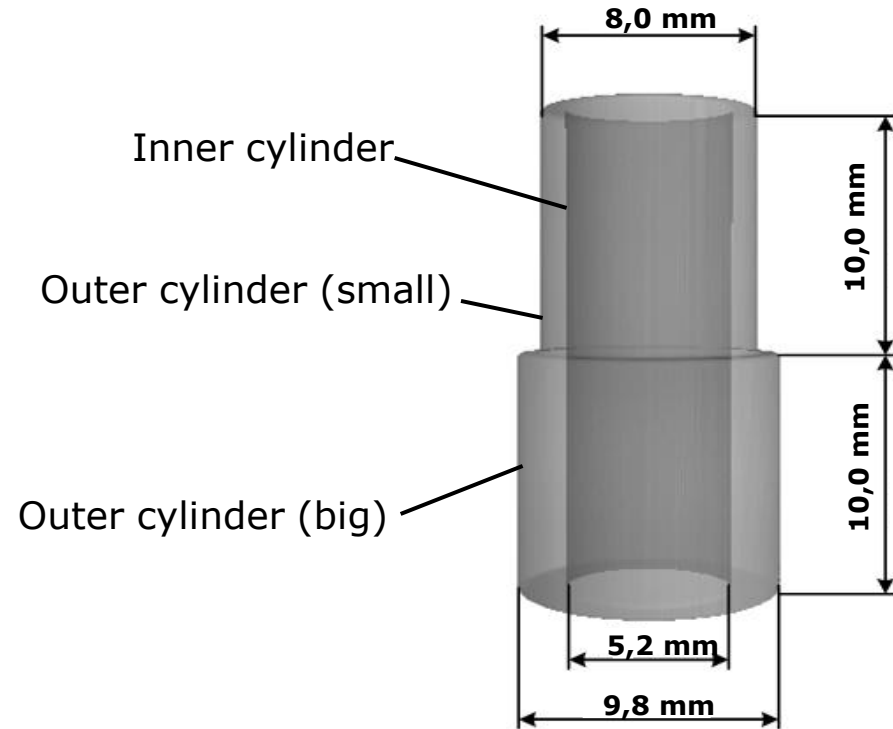
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Case study



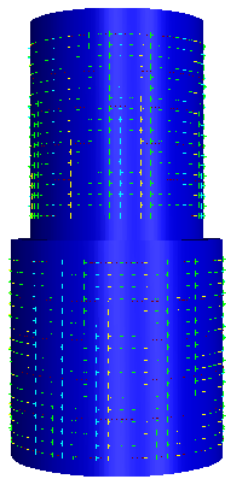
Material: X20Cr13 (Steel)



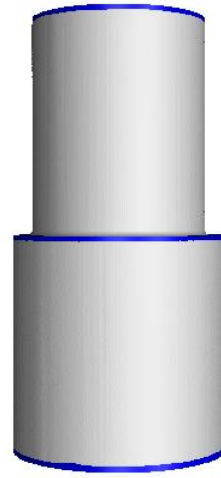
Measuring tasks:

- Evaluation of the 3 cylinder diameters
- Evaluation of associated form deviations of the cylindrical geometries

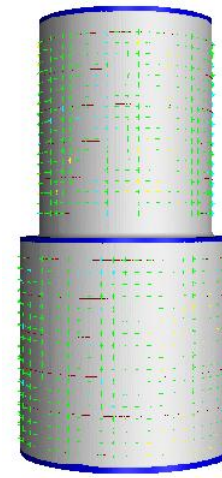
Case study



Measuring points
on CAD model



Registration
with CT model



Evaluation of spatial
3D coordinates & fitting



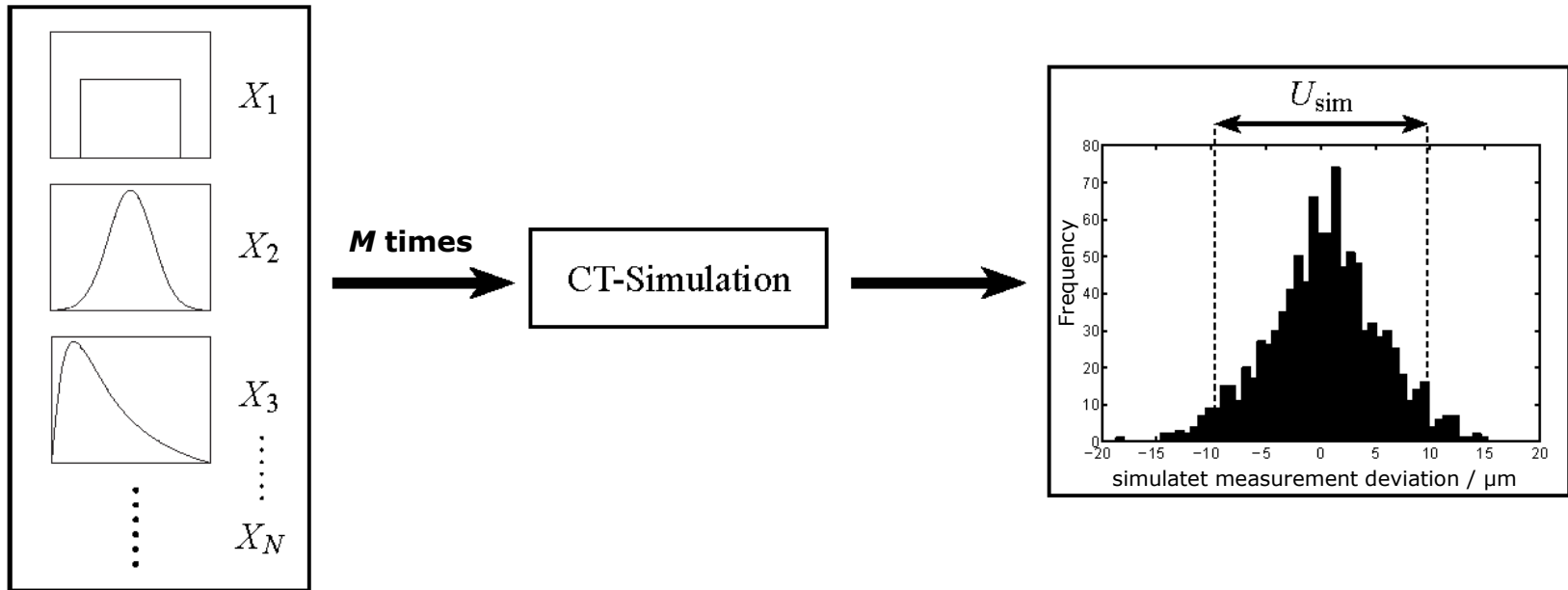
Result

Result of dimensional CT measurements:

Geometry element	Diameter in mm	Form deviation in μm
Outer cylinder, small	8,014	8
Outer cylinder, big	9,812	9
Inner cylinder	6,192	21

Case study

Stochastic variation of input parameter values



Input quantities

Model of CT

Output quantity

Case study

	Parameter	Default	Uncertainty	Range of values
X-ray tube	U_R	200	1 %	198 ... 202
	I_R	0,1	5 %	0,095 ... 0,105
	α_T	15,0	33,3 %	10,0 ... 20,0
	B_h	54,0	5 %	51,3 ... 56,7
	B_v	50,0	5 %	47,5 ... 52,5
	D_{h1}	$8,45 \cdot 10^{-3}$	42,0 %	$(4,9 \dots 12,0) \cdot 10^{-3}$
	D_{h2}	2,85	19,3 %	2,3 ... 3,4
	D_{v1}	$4,03 \cdot 10^{-3}$	20 %	$(3,2 \dots 4,8) \cdot 10^{-3}$
	D_{v2}	1,95	18 %	1,6 ... 2,3
Geometry	Δx_{det}	0,0	0,2 Pixel	-40,0 ... 40,0
	Δy_{det}	0,0	0,2 Pixel	-40,0 ... 40,0
	η_{det}	0,0	0,1°	-0,1 ... 0,1
	ϕ_{det}	0,0	1,0°	-1,0 ... 1,0
	θ_{det}	0,0	0,5°	-0,5 ... 0,5
		FDA	1539,447	1 %
	FOA	114,953	0,3 %	114,608 ... 115,298
Position	T_x	0,0	0,5 mm	-0,5 ... 0,5
	T_y	0,0	0,5 mm	-0,5 ... 0,5
	T_z	0,0	0,5 mm	-0,5 ... 0,5
	R_x	0,0	1,5°	-1,5 ... 1,5

Uniform distributed input quantities assumed

U_{ct}

Number of simulations
 $M = 50$

Case study

Result:

$$U = U_{\text{sim}} = U_{\text{ct}}$$

- If uncertainty contribution $u_1 \dots u_i$ from other sources available (hybrid):

$$U = k \cdot \sqrt{u_1^2 + \dots + u_i^2 + u_{\text{sim}}^2} \quad \text{with} \quad u_{\text{sim}} = \frac{U_{\text{sim}}}{k}$$

- If uncertainty contribution $u_{\text{sim}_1} \dots u_{\text{sim}_j}$ from simulation can be separated
 → *no correlations among single contributions* $u_{\text{sim}_1} \dots u_{\text{sim}_j}$:

$$U = k \cdot \sqrt{u_1^2 + \dots + u_i^2 + u_{\text{sim}_1}^2 + \dots + u_{\text{sim}_j}^2}$$

Case study

Completed result:

$$Y = y \pm U$$

■ Diameter:

Geometry element	<i>U</i> (95 %) in mm	<i>U</i> (99 %) in mm	<i>Y</i> (95 %) in mm	<i>Y</i> (99 %) in mm
Outer cylinder, small	0,080	0,086	8,014 ± 0,080	8,014 ± 0,086
Outer cylinder, big	0,102	0,108	9,812 ± 0,102	9,812 ± 0,108
Inner cylinder	0,064	0,066	6,192 ± 0,064	6,192 ± 0,066

■ Form deviation:

Geometry element	<i>U</i> (95 %) in μm	<i>U</i> (99 %) in μm	<i>Y</i> (95 %) in μm	<i>Y</i> (99 %) in μm
Outer cylinder, small	3	3	8 ± 3	8 ± 3
Outer cylinder, big	4	4	9 ± 4	9 ± 4
Inner cylinder	6	9	21 ± 6	21 ± 9

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Summary and outlook

- *A simulation-based method to estimate uncertainties in dimensional CT using synthetic X-ray projection data and the Monte Carlo method, combined in the virtual CT, was presented*

- **Further developments should be concentrated on:**
 - Increasing of computational performance to increase the number of simulations

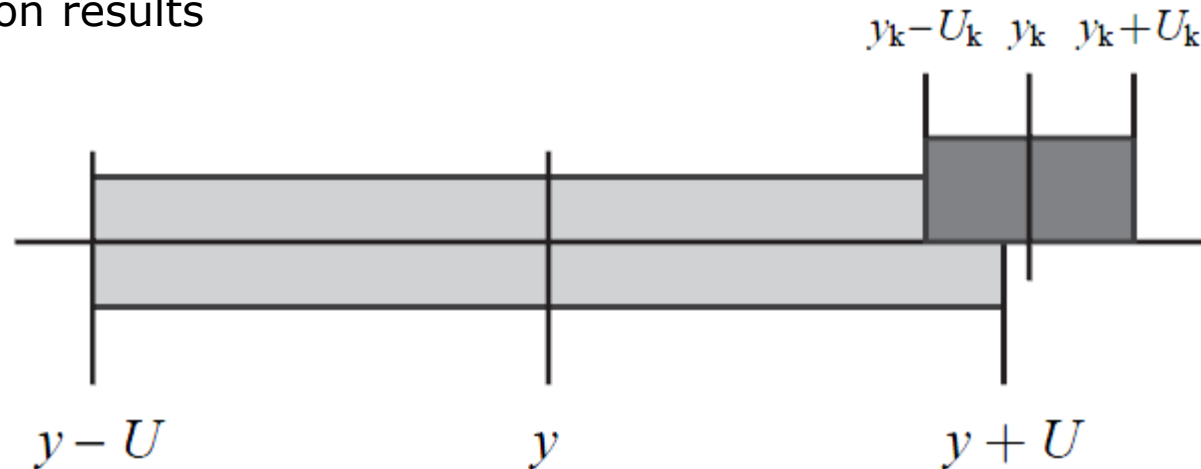
 - Development of systematic workflow for characterization of a CT system to adapt the simulation environment

 - Minimization of input quantities to the most significant ones and studying of correlations

 - Development of procedures to validate CT simulators in 2D/3D

Summary and outlook

- Usage/development of procedures to validate the simulation results



Test of plausibility according to VDI/VDE 2617-7
using calibrated workpieces:

$$|y_k - y| \leq (U_k + U)$$

calibrated value

measured value

Calibration
uncertainty

*Uncertainty
by simulation*

Thank you for your attention